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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE FOR USDEL TO 58 TH ILC ON RESOLUTIONS

REFS: A. GENEVA 2818; B. STATE 115249

DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE OFFERED ON FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS IN
ACCORDANCE WITH REF A REQUEST:

1. RESOLUTION ON POLICY OF DISCRIMINATION, RACISM, AND
VIOLATION OF TRADE UNION FREEDOMS PRACTICED BY THE ISRAELI
AUTHORITIES IN PALESTINE AND THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.
SUBJECT OF STATE 115249.
2. RESOLUTION ON TEMPORARY WORK AGENCIES. USDEL SHOULD
ATTEMPT TO INTRODUCE MORE BALANCE IN THE RESOLUTION THROUGH
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APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS TO GIVE MORE RECOGNITION TO FACT THAT, WHEN PROPERLY OPERATED, SUCH AGENCIES CAN BE USEFUL. SUCH AMENDMENTS MIGHT INCLUDE:

A. INSERTING AFTER THE SEVENTH PARAGRAPH ENDING " BY THE WORKERS CONCERNED;" THIS NEW PARAGRAPH: " CONSIDERING THAT, AT THE SAME TIME, SOME SUCH AGENCIES WHEN PROPERLY OPERATED, SERVE USEFUL AND DESIRABLE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC FUNCTIONS,"

B. INSERTING UNDER PARAGRAPH "1":

" H. BENEFITS OF SUCH AGENCIES WHEN PROPERLY OPERATED;

" I. APPROPRIATE VOLUNTARY AND LEGAL STANDARDS TO ASSURE THAT SUCH AGENCIES ARE PROPERLY OPERATED."

3. RESOLUTION ON WORKING ENVIRONMENT. USDEL MAY SUPPORT RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED AND VOTE IN FAVOR OF IT.

4. RESOLUTION ON MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS. USDEL SHOULD OPPOSE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTLY WORDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. PROPOSED RESOLUTION IS UNACCEPTABLE IN LANGUAGE, UNNECESSARY IN CONTENT, AND APPEARS MISCHIEVOUS IN INTENT.

B. LANGUAGE OF THE PREAMBLE IS AN UNACCEPTABLE ATTACK ON MULTINATIONALS. PEJORATIVE, ANTI- BUSINESS STATEMENT, NOT IN KEEPING WITH MODERATE TONE OF ILO MEETING OF EXPERTS WHO RECOGNIZED MNC " CAN MAKE AVAILABLE EMPLOYMENT AND APPROPRIATE VITAL GOODS AND SERVICES NECESSARY TO IMPROVE LIVING STANDARDS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD."

C. GOVERNING BODY HAS ALREADY UNDERTAKEN THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE MEETING OF EXPERTS SO THAT CONTENT OF THE RESOLUTION IS EITHER REDUNDANT OR ACCUSATION THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL IS NOT IMPLEMENTING DECISIONS OF THE GB.

D. REQUEST FOR GUIDELINES CONSIDERATION AT 1975 CONFERENCE PREJUDGES PRESENT STUDY OF FEASIBILITY AND USEFULNESS OF SUCH GUIDELINES.

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AMENDMENTS, UNLESS THEY WOULD RESULT IN WHOLESALE REWRITE, APPEAR UNLIKELY TO MAKE RESOLUTION ACCEPTABLE.

5. RESOLUTION ON CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE ILO TO INTERNATIONAL WOMENS YEAR 1975. DELEGATION MAY SUPPORT RESOLUTION. TEXT APPEARS TO PLACE EMPHASIS ON PARTTIME AND INDUSTRIAL HOME

WORK WHICH ARE THE PRIMARY CONCERNS OF THE SPONSORING COUNTRIES. USDEL MAY STATE THAT ILO SHOULD GIVE PRIORITY ATTENTION DURING IWY TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF EQUAL PAY PROVISIONS OF ILO CONVENTION 100 AND TO THE VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING NEEDS OF WOMEN IN AGRICULTURAL AS WELL AS INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT- IT SHOULD NOTE ALSO THAT THE EMPLOYMENT OF GREATER NUMBERS OF WOMEN IN POLICY-MAKING AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS WITHIN THE ILO SECRETARIAT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL AND ESSENTIAL IN ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES SET FORTHIN THE RESOLUTION FOR INTERNATIONAL WOMENS YEAR. PORTER

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